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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Feast of Fools
5 Fighter Practice	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Fighter Practice	13 Dance Practice 7PM	14 Collating Party 7pm	15 BF Fighter Practice	16	17	18 A&S Symposium
19 Fighter Practice	20 Officers Meeting	21 BF A&S	22	23 6:30 scribes mtg @ Cardinos	24 UH Revel	25 Masque Ball
26 Fighter Practice	27 Dance Practice 7PM	28	29 BF Fighter Practice	30	31	May 1

UH Fighter - 2-5PM, Bofharrach 7PM, St.Martin's - call Akira 498-0798. Information on weekly Baronial activities is on the inside back cover. Information on Bofharrach activities is located in the Bofharrach articles of the Tosspot.

April

4 - Feast of Fools(Tygre's Keep) Africa O'Brien (719)447-1773 13
14 - OH Collating Party (UH) Thorfinn 667-1284 13
18 - 20 Known World Arts and Sciences Symposium (Caerthe) Jorunn (303)421-0689 14
24 - Unser Hafen Revel, Titus490-2936 16
25 - Masque Ball (Windkeep) Renate (307) 635-1320 17

May

2 - Hinterland 3 Man Tourney Hiro (308)632-4418 18
9-10 Outlands Coronation
16 - Renaissance Gown Workshop Taryn (303)893-4816 19
22 - 25 Royal Archer Tourney/ Brigands Bizarre X Haroun (719)444-0194 20
31 - Cavalier Holiday V Cecelia (303)556-2270 23

June

19-21 Cattle Raid Lorcan 352-9017 24

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The Tossput

from the Baron & Baroness

Greetings unto the populace of fair Unser Hafen,

On the weekend of March 14-15, Rosalind and I were privileged to travel to the College of Saint Golias in Socorro, New Mexico to witness the Outland's Kingdom Crown Tournament. The Tournament was run as a best two of three, round robin, with weapon of choice and thirteen entrants. To even out the round robin, the bye fights were fought by THL Caesan. The tournament was spectacular, and well fought by all. It started at 11 AM, and ran nearly to dark, finishing about 6 PM. The tournament was won by Jarl Hrothgar, who was undefeated through out the day. Sir Haroun came in second. Huzzahs to His Royal Highness, Jarl Hrothgar, and his Crown Princess, Countess Madigan of Kandahar. We encourage all to travel to the Shire of Duthaich Beinne Aird (Laramie, Wyoming) for Their Coronation on May 9th. On Sunday, a new Warlord of the Outlands was chosen - he is Sir Jax of al-Barran.

Congratulations to Sir Titus Claudius Severus, and Sir Kevin MacKinnon, who became our newest Builders of the Portcullis at our Baronial War Revel on February 27th. Titus's research and teaching of Roman history, and Kevin's teaching of armoring, casting, and historical tournaments have greatly enriched our Barony for a very long time. When you read this, we will have just completed our annual Dance Collegium and Grand Ball, one of the two large regional events held by our Barony for the pleasure and benefit of the rest of our Kingdom. We hope you all were able to attend this event, and that you were able to contribute to its success. Helping with events lightens the load for others, helps you to be an active participant of our group, and helps you find folks of like interests who may become great friends. If you missed helping in this event, I strongly encourage you to volunteer in the future. The other side of the coin is traveling to events offered by other groups in our Kingdom. Your support of their events helps them to be successful, and allows you to expand your experience, friends, and knowledge of the Society and this Kingdom. Be selective - there are many to choose from. Then plan ahead to maximize your return.

A word to those whose eyes are tuned to the Outlands List on the Internet - please remember that the subscribers and commenters on this list are not necessarily representative of the majority of folks in the Outlands and only reflect private opinions and experiences. Please read to learn and share ideas, but not to spread negativism in our groups. If you have concerns or questions about this open discussion forum, we will be happy to help you sort through them and to find answers.

We are nearing the start of the tournament season which focuses on outdoor events with fighting, fencing, archery, bardic fires, and camping. Unser Hafen will host several activities this summer season which will need your support. The Cattle Raid sponsored by Bofharrach is a fun time in June. In July, we host the premier of a fighter focused event - Glory! In August, our annual Champions event will be held to choose the new Defender, Protector, and Warden of the Barony. The Defender tournament will be very challenging and very period. To prepare, please speak with Lord Tuman, current Defender of Unser Hafen, and he will share the details. We plan to travel to the Kingdom Heralds & Scribes Symposium on March 28th, and the Outlands Arts & Sciences Competition, the Knowne World Arts & Sciences Collegium, and the Masque Ball in the month of April.

In service to Barony, Crown, and Kingdom,

Master Thorfinn — Mistress Rosalind

Thorfinn — Rosalind

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aonghus Lord Lochlainn

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Lord Tuman	Lord Morien	Lord Lochlainn	Lady Dubheasa

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Lord Conchobhar (Performing Arts) Lord Robert Stewart (Functional Arts)

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Ladies in Waiting	Steward	Bard
Amber Morgana	Lady Eleanor	Lord Lochlainn

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Seneschal's Words of Wisdom

Guten Tag, Unser Hafen! If you didn't read my last report, the topics were:

- *post mortems to be held after every event
- *autocrats should take on someone inexperienced as a helper
- *e-mail is not an official means of communication in the SCA
- *complaints regarding sexual conduct at events
- *accepting responsibility as a guardian for a minor at an event
- *the SCA recognizes and complies with all mundane laws
- *officers put non-active files in storage with the archivist
- *interest in having an archivist party
- *benefits of SCA membership
- *don't let your membership lapse or become suspended

For more information on any of these, please refer to February's report.

Officers' meeting has changed sites. Lord Caonan has volunteered his clubhouse. From College, travel west on Prospect. Before you come to Sir Kevin's domicile, you will see Heatherridge Road on the left. Take that left, then take the 2nd right into the parking lot. The clubhouse is on the west side of the lot. These meetings are not closed, anyone may attend who is interested.

Gwillam and Galiana have volunteered to autocrat the large fighter/fencer event in July! Huzzah! This is their first shot at autocrating. What a way to start! Please remember that we are hosting this event for the rest of the Outlands, so we are going to have to do the work and won't be able to play all day. This is our new large regional event and it looks like its going to be great!

Lord Gunther has volunteered to autocrat Newcomers Event this year! Please consider how we can ensure that this is the best attended Newcomers Event

ever! It was discussed at officers meeting that it would be nice to have each new person to come to the group get some one-on-one attention until they find their own niche in the group. **If you would like to mentor someone new to Unser Hafen**, please contact Lady Eleanor or myself.

Weather permitting, I understand we are now **moving back to City Park for fighter practice.** Small tournaments may be starting up as well! See you there!

The St. Pats Parade was a success! Our gypsy contingent was home for break and joined us. Many friends from Caerthe came up, including the wonderful Bedlam Abbey musicians! The horses were well behaved and a terrific time was had by all! Join us next year!

Mistress Theresea's sewing circle is cancelled until late April when it may be moved to Tuesday instead of Thursday. Check with her for further details.

Alles zu See!
Wenhauer

Wenhauer

Greetings from the Knight Marshal

March is the last month of indoor fighter practices. Starting on April 5th we will be back at city park. Also if the weather is nice on March 22nd we will hold fighter practice outside at city park so all our guests from Dance Collegium can join us.

I would like to clear up some of the rumors that are going around about the CSU fieldhouse. The reason we were not at the fieldhouse this season is because the department that controls the fieldhouse has a new policy regarding children. It seems that some other student organizations, not ours, would rent sites and then allow their children to run around unsupervised. The groups were renting sites like swimming pools and gyms, places the children could get hurt very easily. Because of this Facilities, the department we deal with, created this "no children under college age" policy. Everyone's first response to this was what about the little league baseball group that rents the site right before us. What it comes down to is this: The Baron of Unser Hafen does not rent the site from CSU, St. Martin's Abbey (our student group) does. With St. Martin's renting the site we actually don't pay rent, we pay a supervisor fee that comes out to about $50 a day. Groups who want to have children at the site have to have a one million dollar insurance policy (which we have through the SCA) and must pay rent on top of the supervisor fee. Rent for the fieldhouse is $50 an hour. So if we want the fieldhouse we either have to not allow children and pay $50 a day, or allow children and pay $200 a day. You can see why we, the officers, decided to use an alternative site for this season. If you have any comments about this please feel free to talk to myself, Baron Thorfinn, Baroness Rosalind or Gwen the Seneschal. We would like to hear comments from everybody to help us decide on our winter site for next season.

In Service
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From the Exchequer

As of3/16/98, the balance in the Baronial treasury is $3,183.85.

In Service,
Mistress Theresea

To All in the Barony Who Practice the Fine Art of Rapier. Greetings from Lord Robert Stewart

First, Some news from the kingdom office: Don Ian has stepped down from his position as Kingdom Marshal of Fence. Dona Ainrea is now the office's Interim Officer until a new Officer can be selected. All interested applicants are to have their letters of intent to the Kingdom Seneschal and Their Royal Highnesses in early April.

The Barony has been training new fencers of late, as well as re-training those out of practice - veterans who have had to set aside the rapier and lift spears for war. We are anticipating the arrival of new Baronial loaner gear, especially gloves, masks, and perhaps a new blade.

There is coming to Unser Hafen a revitalization of the Art of Rapier - I can feel it! A glorious season of fencing tournaments and melees is ahead of us! I invite one and all with any interest in this art to come to fighter practices to teach and learn, and all that is required is enthusiasm! If you lack for any of that, I'll give you some of mine!!

In service to the dream, I am
Robert Stewart
Robert Stewart

sewing circle

Sewing circle is canceled until 4/28 when the regular meeting will be changed to Tuesdays 7 to 10pm at Mistress Theresea's home.

craft circle

Msitress Leonora will be teaching soapmaking on April 25th. Please bring $3-5 to cover the costs of materials you will take home. We will begin at 1pm at Lady Wenhauer's house. Call to say you will be attending, 225-2264.

********** help wanted **********

Deputy Hospitallers are needed to help with recruitment and distribution of materials at fighter practice and other events. If you are interested, please call Lady Eleanor at 669-8794.

University of Caerthe

Caerthe (Denver, CO)

This month's University completes a cycle begun nine years ago, when a young lord named Titus Claudius Severus presented us with an excellent University on "Defensive Imperialism - Roman acquisition of territory following the Second Punic War". Since then, Titus has achieved much in the Society, including Knighthood and being the second Baron of Unser Haven. Notwithstanding the many demands on his time, Eques Titus has averaged better than two Universities a year since then, following the history of Rome from Republic through Empire to the collapse of Byzantium, then going back to the very beginning and taking us through the seven kings of Rome and the early days of the Republic. In April, he will tell us how the Romans, after taking over Italy, bump into the Carthegenians in Sicily. They fight the First Punic War and take Sicily. Next comes the second Punic War - you know, Hannibal, the elephants, the Alps, and Scipio too. We will meet at 7:30 P.M., April 29, the fifth Wednesday of the month, at Salamander Manor, the home of Mistress Bernice of Brittany - 3495 Newland Street, WheatRidge. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For further information, call Mistress Bernice, 303-233-9558, Sir Titus, 970-490-2936, or Master Robin Vinehall, 303-444-5004.

Rapier Marshal applications

Candidates for the position of Kingdom Rapier Mashal are being sought. Please send application letters to the Kingdom Knight Marshal, Sir Haroun.

Missing: Books from the Unser Hafen Library

Please check your bookshelves and libraries for these books. We are trying to gather the Unser Hafen library together so it may be circulated among the good gentles of this barony. If you have one of these titles, please return it to the quartermaster, Gunther (224-2639.

Ivories of the West (ivory carvings)by Massimo Carra
The The Mother Earth News "an array of gardens", Spring 1984, Special Series, vol.IX
A Coloring book of Ancient Ireland, Bellerophen Books
Italic Handwriting for Young People, Fred Eager, paperback
Art Treasures in Germany, McGraw-Hill
Art and Mankind "Larousse Encyclopedia of Rennaisance and Baroque Art". 1964 Edition
The Life and Times of St.Francis, Published by Arnoldo Mondadori
The Life and Times of Dante, Published by Arnoldo Mondadori
The Book of Hours with a historical survey and commentary by John Tartan
The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 6/68
The Metropolitan Museum of Art Bulletin 6/67

the rode to carlisle

by Lord Robert Stewart

The whole incident really began on 17 March '96. That was a truce day: a day of counsel between the Scottish and English West Marches. On truce days, those who would meet were held by the law of the Border Marches to be inviolate to their enemies until the sunrise of the next day. Upon this day of truce, however, the English took captive one of those present at counsel - one William Armstrong. Kinmont Willie, as he was most commonly called, was the most notorious Border Riever ‡ of his time. In his last raid, he had stolen more than two-thousand head of livestock and £300 in spoil.

My involvement in this matter began out of happenstance. I chanced to be passing through the Borders headed to London and met an old friend of mine at a horse race in Langholm. "Ill Will" Graham he was, and he told me of the capture of Kimnont Willie. Apparently, the acting Scottish West March Warden was so outraged by this breach of March law that he was planning something of a rescue. Will Graham was in on it, and now he asked me to join him. Kinmont Willie be hanged, I thought. What matter is it to me or any marshal on either side of the border save a matter of celebration if the bugger dance the hempen jig? It was then that I was introduced to the acting Scottish West March warden, and he was a man I'll never forget: Walter Scott of Buccleuch, but most simply called him Buccleuch.

When I met Buccleuch, Will introduced me as a good friend of his who was interested in taking part in the raid. The raid, in fact, interested me not at all, but I kept silent. I sensed that a great adventure was at hand, and I wanted to hear what this Walter Scott had to say about it. Buccleuch looked to be my younger by a few years, but he was bold in manner and speech. He was fiery and possessed of much energy, but his plans had thus far been well thought out, and he welcomed seasoned advice. To rescue that thieving borderman Kinmont was not to my liking; Buccleuch, however, displayed the rode€ as a matter of principle between Scotland and England. If it were successful, England would have to stomach a hard slap in the face. If we were not, little face would be lost in the attempt - although we all stood a fair chance of a hanging. But what is there that a man will not dare? I told Buccleuch that I was interested but wanted to be in on the planning. What I did not tell him was that I would like to see Kinmont hanged; that my interests were in the sheer daring of the assault on Carlisle Castle and a chance to spite the English.

I stayed with "Ill Will" Graham over the next couple of weeks and even met with Buccleuch on one occasion. Will and I took a trip south to meet with some of his relatives, and upon one afternoon we traveled to Carlisle Castle at my request. Kimnont Willie was kept in this place, and to look at it gave me the shakes. This was a large fortification - the toughest keep on the Borders, and of the strongest the English could build. I couldn't see how we were to pull it off. Then, on Saturday, 5 April, I found myself back at the Langholm races plotting the rode to free Kinmont Willie. We learned through Buccleuch's sources that Kinmont was kept in a guarded house in the outer ward of the castle, not far from the west gate. Buccleuch figured it would take no more than eighty of us to pull it off, especially considering he had a little bit of help already well planted in the castle. Will's family, the English Grahams of Eske, were also in on it: They would grant Buccleuch's passage across the

lands that were their holding. The plans were set for Sunday, 13 April, a few hours before dawn.

The night before our venture, we had all of the necessary ladders, crowbars, and assorted gear cached at Kinmont Willie's house not ten miles from Carlisle. There we all met and were placed in order as follows: a small detachment of Armstrong - to include Kinmont's four sons - took the van as scouts, and behind them were set a body of horsemen for support. Then there was a small group of horsemen who carried the ladders and other assault gear, and finally the rest of us to comprise the main body. There was to be no spoiling, burning, or even killing without need: we were to be in, then out with Kinmont and that was all.

The luck was with us, for the night was a harsh one laden with a light fog and a heavy downpour. It took us the better part of the night to get to Carlisle, but two hours shy of dawn we were there. Once at the gate, Will and a few other Grahams put a ladder to the wall. They were up in an instant with the help of an insider, and a moment later the postem was open. Each of us had precise tasks which we set to without wasting time. My part was to help keep the escape route from Kimnont's jailhouse to the gate clear of guards. This proved easy enough, for as the gate opened and we appeared, Englishmen flew in all directions. Two Englishmen actually hesitated in their retreat and had to be wounded to remind them of their feet and how to use them.

It was a mere matter of minutes before Buccleuch and Kinmont passed me by. A few guardsmen were in pursuit, so I drew my dirk, stepped from the shadows and made a shallow pass at the thighs of one as I watched the others clubbed down. The chase was thusly stopped, but we didn't wait to see if a stronger one followed.

Shortly, we found ourselves running through the rows of men we had left at the postem - most of our force, in fact - who were to act as a screening force at need. In seconds we were out of the castle, mounted, and headed hot foot for the border. Our screening force found itself uncontested and were soon behind us. We rode hard, laughing occasionally for we knew that we won an easy victory. Buccleuch had set two separate ambush parties along our road home, but no one pursued us and we got back clean two hours after sunrise.

Kinmont Willie was freed, but more importantly the English would have to suffer a grave embarrassment. The English West March warden - one Scrope, I believe - was the picture of incompetence for years to come, and we all looked like heroes. A gleeful Buccleuch extended me his hand and welcomed my future return. I tarried a week longer before continuing on my way to London having secured weak alibis and strong friendships.

Robert Stewart

Sunday, 27 April 1596

‡Riever: robber / raider. € Rode: raid.

The Kimnont Willie Raid took place Sunday, 13 April 1596. This year marks the 402nd anniversary of the event. For more information on the Scottish-English border region between 1503 and 1603, I highly recommend The Steel Bonnets by George MacDonald Fraser; and with any luck you might chance to meet Lord Robert Stewart sometime around the anniversary and celebrate the victory with him.

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From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

Tis the month for Arts and Sciences in the Kingdom of the Outlands! Do not forget that there will be a Kingdom Arts and Sciences Competition in Gleann Medonach (Roswell, New Mexico) on April 11 & 12. I believe I will be attending the Kingdom A&S so if any would like to send something for entry please contact me at (970) 353-6782.

It is thrilling that the Outlands is also hosting the Knowne World Arts and Sciences Symposium, April 18 & 19 at Red Rocks Community College (in the Barony of Caerthe outside of Golden, CO.). Conchobhar and I will be attending this both days and I will be teaching a class on making Irish trews (pants) and Lady Aildhcinna will be teaching a class on Courtliness in Dance.

Information on these events is in the Outlandish Herald or in the Calendar of Events in the Kingdom of the Outlands web site: http://www.unm.edu/~kballar /events.html and the Knowne World Arts and Sciences Symposium site: http://www.pagan.net/~coyote/knownworld.htm

In March Bofharrach gathered for Third Tuesday A&S to make pouches and favors. We began construction on leather pouches and discussed favor making and materials. Tuesday, April 20 Bofharrach will gather for an evening of "Scribal Techniques, Materials and Traditions". We encourage all who are interested in starting to do calligraphy and/or illumination, or those who would enjoy getting a good refresher course to attend. We will be "scribing" at the Meeting Room at the Brentwood Apartment Complex in Greeley, Colorado. To attend, the best route is to take Highway 34 East from I-25 towards Greeley. Continue straight without turning until you pass 35th Avenue. Take the next exit onto 23rd Avenue heading north (left). Just past Little Caesars Pizza on the left, turn left (west)onto Reservoir/ 20th Street. The first left after the shopping center is the Brentwood Apartments. Park and follow the SCA signs.

In Service to the Dream,
Mistress Lughbec ni Eoin
Mistress Lughbec ni Eoin

From the Bofharrach Chronicler

Greetings from the Cow Pastures,

Well we made it back from the war and promptly got extremely sick so there was no report from me last month. This will be my last report as the Bofharrach chronicler. I will be handing over my office at the end of this month to Rhiannon Kerr. I know she will do a very good job. Now that our fighters have been tuned up for war, they are looking forward to the tourney season. Cattle Raid is developing into another great weekend for June. Hawks Hollow will be running the melees on Sunday and

has promised that it will be lots of fun. Duke Olaf is planning the Bofharrach version of the Highland games which will be used to choose the Champion of the Cow Pies. The torchlight tourney and the Equestrians will also be returning this year.

I will say my good bye now so that Rhiannon can introduce herself. I have enjoyed my time as the chronicler, but I am looking forward to the new things that will be happening this coming year.

Farewell in Service,
Lady Moyra

Greetings,
My name is Rhiannon Kerr and as Lady Moyra said, I will be taking on the position of Chronicler for Bofharrach. I am looking forward to the challenges of the office. I do wish to take the opportunity to thank Lady Moyra for graciously offering to stay on as my deputy and teaching me all the tricks of the trade. So until next month I will bid you
farewell.

In service,
Rhiannon

Fighter practices are every wednesday 7:00-9:00 pm at the Evans City complex 1100 37th , Evans. Call Lorcan for more information. Beginning May 1st the fighter practices will move outside to Glenmere park.

1st and 3rd Tuesdays will be at Glenmere also starting May 1.

April 1- Fighter Practice 7:00-9:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
April 7- Potluck & Populace meeting 7:00-9:00pm Melora 330-8185
April 8- Fighter practice 7:00-9:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
April 15- Fighter practice 7:00-9:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
April 21- A&S night at Brentwood Park apt. Lughbec 353-6782
April 22- Fighter practice 7:00-9:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
April 24 - Unser Hafen/Bofharrach Revel, Titus 490-2936
April 28- Fighter Practice 7:00-9:00pm Lorcan 352-9017

May 5- Populace meeting at Glenmere 7:00pm Melora 353-6782
May 6- Fighter Practice at Glenmere 7:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
May 13- Fighter Practice at Glenmere 7:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
May 19- A&S night Lughbec 353-6782
May 20- Fighter Practice at Glenmere 7:00pm Lorcan 352-9017
May 27- Fighter Practice at Glenmere 7:00pm Lorcan 352-9017

estrella war points summary

I have been informed of the way the points worked out. There were to be seven points possible: two Heavy Weapons points for Saturday, two Heavy Weapons points for Sunday, one Light Weapons point, one Arts & Sciences point, and one Archery point. The Archery point and the A&S point were won by the Kingdom of Atenveldt.

The Light Weapons point was won by the Kingdom of the Outlands. (I watched the clinching battle, it was glorious. We should all be very proud of our rapier fighters, who were outnumbered nearly 1.5 to 1.)

The first Heavy Weapons point on Saturday was won by the Kingdom of the Outlands, with the Outlands having won two battles and Atenveldt one. The second Heavy Weapons point on Saturday was won by the Kingdom of Atenveldt, as they defended their castle from our onslaught successfully.

The first Heavy Weapons point on Sunday was a draw, as Atenveldt won the first battle, the second was called a draw (bridge battle) and the third was won by the Outlands. The second Heavy Weapons point on Sunday was canceled due to an agreement between the two Crowns in order to avoid an expected storm.

Thus, the point total was 3 for Atenveldt (Archery, A&S, 1 Heavy point) to 2 for the Outlands (Rapier, 1 Heavy point).

Their Royal Majesties wish it known that They are most pleased with Their subjects and the efforts made at Estrella. Both bridge battles had their outcome decided at the 30 minute time limit and then were allowed to proceed to the last man. Even when the battles were technically over, our fighters fought with great ferocity and valor. Both battles saw the Outlands army victorious in the end, even if those victories didn't count for points.

Our army (excuse me, I should say armies, as this applies to the light fighters as well) fought with great skill, great pride, and great honor. I, for one, was proud to serve King Cameron and Queen AnneAliz in Their army, and look forward to next year, when we may face our Aten friends on the field of battle once again.

In service,

Balthazar

feast of fools

April 4th
Tygre's Keep (Colorado Springs)

Greetings good Gentles! The time has drawn nigh for fun, foolery and feasting again at Tygre's Keep. This year's Feast of Fools event will be held April 4th, 1998, from 10 am to 11 pm. The day will consist of a fencing tournament, a fighting tournament, and games to be held in the hall for those not partaking of the fighting. The evening will supply grand entertainment with the Fool's Court, and the Rose Petal Feast, as prepared by Timothy O'Brien. Reservations for feast are limited to 80, first-come, first-served, so get them while they last! Prizes will be awarded to those brave and strong enough to overcome the challenges of the day. Please make checks out to SCA - Tygre's Keep.

Directions: Take your best route to exit 143 (Uintah) on I-25. Head east on Uintah, up the hill. At the light at the intersection of Cascade and Uintah, turn right onto Cascade. Head south for half a block. A driveway will be found on your right, just beyond a round brick building. Turn in there and follow the road around to the south of a whitish brick building. At the bottom of the hill on the left of the circle is a large old building, this is Bemis Hall, and will be the site for the feast, and will be open all day. Parking is available in the lots adjacent to Bemis Hall, and additional parking can be found on Cache la Poudre and Nevada Avenue. Parking is illegal on Cascade. If you receive a ticket from the campus security for parking, see the autocrat and it will be cleared, however we are powerless against the actions of the Colorado Springs City Police.

The site is dry, with no pets allowed.

Autocrat: Africa O'Brien (Amy Bittenbinder), 1231 N. Nevada #11, Colorado Springs, CO, 80903, (719) 447-1773, lashoka@hemi.com

Master of the Feast: Timothy O'Brien (Timothy Buxton), 1231 N. Nevada #11, Colorado Springs, CO, 80903, (719) 447-1773, tbuxton@goedel.cc.colorado.edu

outlandish herald collating party

April 14

Unser Hafen is hosting the April collating party for the Outlandish Herald. With many hands, it will take only a couple of hours. It is a wonderful time to visit with friends both old and new. We will be meeting at the Baronage home - Thorfinn and Rosalind's. Please call for directions, 667-1284.

known world arts and sciences symposium

April 18-19
Caerthe (Denver)

The Barony of Caerthe (Denver, CO) welcomes all to attend this year's Known World Arts & Sciences Symposium to be held at Red Rocks Community College. We encourage all to attend and even more importantly encourage those who would like to teach to do so.

Anyone wishing to teach a class should contact Mistress Elaina de Sinistre. Teachers can have their handouts added to the collection of works (The Proceedings), if they are submitted by March 1. Details are available from the Autocrat. A complete class list will be available on the web site.

A block of hotel rooms have been reserved at the Holiday Inn in Golden, CO. Please contact the Autocrat or the hotel, (303) 279-7611, for more information. The hotel is within 2 miles of the site. Holiday Inn will be providing free shuttle service to the college and the feast site. Crash space and merchanting are being coordinated by THLady Wyndylyn.

There will be a feast at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds (minutes away from the site) created by Baroness Maria Isabella de Cordoba of Antir. This site is DRY. Reservations made in advance will guarantee you placecard seating, so guests will not have to worry about rushing to the feast site. Feast is limited to 250 people. Merchants wishing to show their wares at the feast site should contact Eleanor, (303) 789-3318.

The College will provide licensed daycare for children between 2 1/2 and 12 years old for a charge of approximately. $12 a day per child. Please let Lady Marguerite know when making reservations. Each child will need a bag lunch and a change of clothes. Children must have reservations to be enrolled in daycare.

Pre-paid fees for this event are $5 a day for site and $7 for feast on Saturday night. $3.50 for children under 12. There is no site fee for children under 12. The cut off date is March 15, 1998. Advance registration can be sent to Lady Marguerite d Flsere. If you leave voice-mail, please as detailed a message as possible. Cost at the door without advance reservations will be $6 a day for site and $10 for feast. Please make checks out to: SCA - Caerthe.

A special interest display is planned. We welcome contributions to an arts and sciences display. Also on display will be authentic medieval manuscripts including a 16th Century Choral Book (some of these items are for sale). Those interested in illumination should visit the event web site for another special guest who will be teaching at the event.

Complete regional amenities and sources will available at troll or at the event web site: www.pagan.net/~coyote/knownworld.htm

Directions to the site: From I-70 (west of I-25 interchange): Take I-70 West to exit #262 (Colfax West Exit). Turn Left and take Colfax to Indiana. Turn right on Indiana Follow the signs to the College (along frontage road).

Directions to the hotel: From I-70 (west of I-25 Interchange): Take West Colfax exit (#262). Head East. The hotel is on the left side of the street after the first light. Graphical versions of these maps will be available at the event web site. Please contact the Autocrat for more information about the event.

Autocrats: Lady Jorunn nic Lochlainn (Cathie Brailey), 10889 West 65th Way, Arvada CO 80004, (303) 421-0689, jorunn@qadas.com

Co-Autocrat and Royalty Coordinator: Lady Taryn Brannick (Ronni Hunter), 647 North Knox Court, Denver CO 80204, (303) 893-4816, vhunter@toto.dor.state.co.us

Feast Mistress: Baroness Maria Isabella de Cordoba (Donna Miller), 6116 Kitsap Way #31, Bremerton WA 98312, (360) 792-1463.

Hospitaller (Chatelaine): Randall the Malcontent, (303) 750-8270

Instructors: Mistress Elaina de Sinistre (Mary Morman), 1245 Allegheny Drive, Colorado Springs CO 80919, (719) 522-0387, memorman@oldcolo.com

Merchanting and Crash Space: THLady Wyndylyn (Jean Hortman), 15912 East Lehigh Circle, Aurora CO 800113, (303) 680-1583

Reservations: Lady Marguerite d'Isere (Pearl Marquez), 1604 South Raleigh Street, Denver CO 80219, (303) 937-7318

Unser Hafen Revel

April 24

ATTENTION ALL TRAVELERS AND RESIDENTS OF ALL FOUR CORNERS OF TERRA FIRMA! HARK AND PRAY HEED, BRING THE TREASURES OF YOUR LAND TO UNSER HAFEN TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR LAND AND YOURSELF AND TO CELEBRATE!
Hail and Salutations all! The Barony of Unser Hafen is proud to announce a gathering of great import and an evening of fine feasting and dancing from all four corners of the earth. Unser Hafen has always welcomed gentles from all around the world to share their cultures and knowledge with us. THUS DO WE INVITE ALL TO WEAR THE FINEST CLOTHING OF YOUR CULTURE AND BE PREPARED TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR HOMELAND WITH ONE AND ALL!

I. Bring an item/object of great value that defines your personna or helps to better illuminate it. Please share it with us. Regale us with your tales of how you found, created, or purchased this artifact, be it from the island of Ceylon, the land of Chian, Constantinople, or even Britannia!

II. Bring a dish well suited to your culture and tell all of its virtue or vice. Remember Fruit, Spices, Bread, and Cheeses are always well received! Sweat meats and beverages are always appreciated.
III. Bring games or other amusements from your land and be ready to share them with the rest of the assembled world!
IV. Be prepared to dance the night away after your mind grows weary from intense use!

An area will be set aside, enclosed by a golden rope, within which only objects and conversations appropriate to our historical period will be allowed. Within the Golden Rope, you can really live your persona. Be observant throughout the event, because those in attendance shall select the item, clothing, and the food that is best described to us by its owner! Richly shall ye be rewarded for sharing your knowledge with the
rest of the world.

When: Friday, April 24th, 1998 Gregorian 7:00 pm -12:00 am
Where: Mountain Range Shadows Clubhouse (Unser Hafen Dance Practice Site)
Who to call to clarify this event announcement: Eques Titus Claudius Severus, (970) 490-2936
Cost: Bring food for at least six hungry gentles in lieu of a site fee.

A ROUGH TRANSLATION FOR CELTS AND OTHER BARBARIANS:
This is a high personna event focused on period stories, artifacts, costumes, games, and dancing. Food need not be exactly period recipes, just justifiable in some way by your personna. The majority of the hall will be within the golden rope, but there will be an area opened up for non-persona discussions. THE IDEA IS TO BRING SOME OBJECT THAT IS A DEFINING PART OF YOUR PERSONNA OR NIFTY IN YOUR CULTURE, WHIP UP A GOOD STORY ABOUT IT AND BE READY TO SWAP KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR CULTURE WITH SIMILARLY INCLINED GENTLES! Wear your coolest and most period garb, be ready to speak forsoothly, and engage in a sharing of minds, eating, gaming, and dancing!

Masque Ball IV

April 25
Windkeep (Cheyenne, WY)

The Shire of Windkeep invites all to come and join in our merriment on Saturday, the 25th day of April, AS XXXII (1998), for Masque Ball IV. Many silly and frivolous activities are scheduled. Bring a mask, or be prepared to make one there. Prizes will be awarded for the best mask brought, and the best mask made on site. The royalty of misrule will be chosen by chance. Armored fighting and fencing, fun and games will
be held according to weather and interest.

Site fee will be $5.00. Reservations for feast and site are strongly encouraged. We plan to serve the feast to the first 100 paid reservations. Prepaid reservations (site and feast) are $10.00 before the 6th of April. After the 6th of April the site and feast fee, space available, will be $12.00 and must be confirmed by the autocrat. Young ones (6-12) are half price. Little ones (5 and under) are free.. Limited sideboard seating available. Feast to consist of various foods of the participants of the Crusades (in other words what could be stolen). Contact the Master of the Kitchen concerning dietary restrictions. Windkeep is participating in "Toys for Tots" and the donation of each
new unwrapped toy will generate a fee reduction of $1.00.

The site opens at noon, closes at midnight, with feast starting at 6:00 p.m. It is discreetly wet (remove your containers, no hard liquor).

The site is Cheyenne Sheriff's Posse Clubhouse, 9141 Yellowstone Road. Take your best way to Cheyenne, Wyoming. From north-bound I-25, take exit 13, Vandehei to the east (right). Continue on Vandehei Drive to Yellowstone Road (dead-end "T") and turn north (left). Go north on Yellowstone Road for 1.5 miles to the site access road just before Riding Club Road. Turn east (right) and /bold follow the signs; the clubhouse is centered in the 15 acre corner of Yellowstone and Riding Club roads.

Autocrat & Reservations: Lady Renate Koven (Pat Hansen), 10205 Powderhouse Road, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82009-9689, (307) 635-1320, renatek@juno.com

Master of the Kitchen: Lord Bjarki Gullbjornsson (Justin Hammons), (307) 778-1804, lordbjarki@aol.com

Hinterland 3 man team heavy weapons tournament

May 2
Hinterland (Scottsbluff NE)

In ancient Outlands history, there was a tradition of team tournaments. Join us in Hinterland for this unique test of your small unit tactics. Choose your companions carefully and assemble your most formidable team. No team members? Fear not! Impromptu team assembly is encouraged. This will be a double elimination. No weapons over six feet long will be allowed. There will be a simple feast in classic Hinterland tradition after the tourney.

The site opens at 10:00 a.m., armor inspections start at noon, and the tourney starts PROMPTLY at 1:00 p.m. The site closes at 10:00 p.m.

Fees: Site is $3.00, feast is $5.00. Please make checks payable to Shire of Hinterland. Reservations are requested by April 25, but are not absolutely mandatory. If we know you are coming, it would help our planning a lot.

Site: Camp Kiwanis, located in Scottsbluff, NE, between the Riverside Zoo and the North Platte River. Find your way to Scottsbluff, and the Zoo entrance is roughly 1/4 mile West of the intersection of Highway 71 (North-South) and South Beltline in Scottsbluff. It is the same site we have used for the last few Dragons' Quests. It is discreetly wet.

Autocrat: Ashikaga no Toshihiro [known as Hiro] (Steven Trickler), 1106 Ave F, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, (308) 632-4418, strickle@hannibal.wncc.cc.ne.us

Autocrat: Dubhghall MacCracken (Paul MacCracken), 1261 W. 14th, Apt. 12, Alliance, NE 69301, (308) 762-5581

Feast Coordinator: Sorcha ni Ghlais (Mary Wise), 1733 East C Street, Torrington, WY 82240, (307) 532-3917

Italian Renaissance gown workshop
(or Basic skirts)

May 16
Caerthe (Aurora CO)

Come and spend the day from 9am to 6pm making new friends and learning how to make a basic skirt or an Italian Renaissance gown. The goal of this workshop is to actually walk away with a finished and wearable piece of garb. The site is the Clubhouse at the Greenbrook Townhomes, 950 Fraser Way, Aurora, CO. Site fee is $5 and there will be a potluck lunch for those who bring a dish to share. Children under 12 are free but it is not recommended that you bring them unless they want to learn to sew. Keep in mind that the more you want to make the more time you will need so arrive early! Garb is optional but appreciated. Come prepared to spend the day sewing and having fun!

Necessary items to bring:
5 yards fabric for a skirt
6-8 yards fabric for Italian gown
3-4 yards lining fabric for gown
matching thread
fabric/paper for patterns
any trim you want to use

Optional items to bring:
Sewing machine (this would be good)
Scissors, pins, tape measure
needles (sewing, machine)
bias tape (3 yards)
chalk pencil or other marking pencil
iron and ironing board
straight edge/yard stick
grommets/eyelets
embroidery floss that matches your fabric

Note: If you want to try the duct tape wrapping pattern for making a bodice for your Italian gown then please bring an old t-shirt that can be cut up.

Directions: Take I225 to the Mississippi exit. Go east on Mississippi to Chambers Road. Take a left (North) on Chambers. Take the first left (West) onto Fraser Way and follow it around to the clubhouse which will be on your right.

Autocrat: Lady Taryn Brannick, mka Ronni Hunter. 657 Knox Ct. Denver, CO 80204. (303)-893-4816.

Royal Archer Tournament

May 23 - 25
Pawnee National Grassland, CO

The Fifth Royal Archer Tournament will once again be held concurrently at Brigand's Bizarre and Grand Outlandish to accommodate the maximum possible number of entrants.

In order to compete, an archer must:
1. Be a current paid member of the Society for Creative Anachronism in the Kingdom of the Outlands, and provide proof of membership at the time of the tournament.
2. Be a Kingdom ranked archer (Yeoman, Forester, or Bowmaster), OR if recognized and recorded as an Outlands Bowman, may shoot in a Qualifying Round held prior to the Royal Archer Tournament. New or Novice archers are not allowed to compete for the position of Royal Archer.
3. Use SCA legal archery equipment.

Any archer ranked Yeoman, Forester, or Bowmaster may compete in the SUNDAY Tournament without shooting in the Qualifying Round to be held on SATURDAY at each location.

Any archer ranked Bowman may shoot in the Qualifying Round on SATURDAY to achieve the Kingdom rank of Yeoman or above (a Royal Round score of 45 or over). This is the only opportunity for an archer to become a Kingdom ranked (Yeoman) archer with only one qualifying score.

The position has been established by tradition to be held for one year, thus providing an excellent opportunity for the Royal Archer to be in Court through all of the major events where the Outlands is represented.

In service to the Outlands,

THLd Peregrine Elric of Courtenay
Archer General of the Outlands

Brigands Bizarre 10

May 22-24
Dragonsspine (Colorado Springs, CO)

T minus 10 and counting backwards to the LAST Brigands Bizarre. Come celebrate the tenth anniversary of this Memorial weekend event May 22nd through May 24th.

The site [T minus 9 and counting] is Pawnee National Grasslands. The site has excellent drinking water, permanent non-flush toilets, abundant camping/fighting space, and shade. Fires must be contained above ground and a fire extinguisher is always a good idea. Dogs must remain leashed at all times. The site is wet (period containers preferred) - be prepared for any and all types of weather. Make checks payable to: SCA-Dragonsspine. Site fee is $3.50 for children 6-14 years and adults are $7. You do not need a reservation.

T minus 8 and counting battle scenarios are planned for each day to liven your heart and your blade. Heavy weapons contests will include combat archery and missile/siege weaponry. Fencers, be prepared to run the same gauntlet as the heavy fighters. Archers remember, rounds will be shot and scored for Kingdom Royal Archer.

To honor this momentous occasion, some of your old favorites will return to the Bizarre. Their Excellencies, Sir Haroun and Lady Dovita will be your Autocrats for the [T minus] 7th time. Embrace the bizarreness of this event by making your own stick beast. Slog through swaps, battle through tunnels, and wreck havoc on your opponents from chariots.

A pot luck feast will be served in the picnic area on Saturday eve. The main dish will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share which will feed [T minus] 6 and counting starving fighters. Feast fee is a mere $3.

The Barony of Dragonsspine will celebrate its milestone of hosting this auspicious event for the [T minus] 5th time. Court will be held at His Excellency's, Master Maelmarden's, whim. Join our barony for Happy Hour on Friday eve where we will toast and spin yarns of Brigands past glories.

Site will open Friday, May 22nd at T minus 4 (p.m.) and counting. Anyone arriving on-site prior to the Autocrats will be tithed one bottle for the barony's Happy Hour and will be enslaved by the Autocrats for site set-up to include their personal pavilion!!!

T minus 3 lucky SCAdians will be chosen for their displays of chivalry, acts of courage, and best use and inspiration of their hand-crafted stick beast - you do not have to be a combatant to participate in this contest. Drag out your remnant material and let your imagination run Bizarre. The judges identities will be kept a secret until Sunday, however, time spent astride your stick beast will be watched closely!!!

For the [T minus] 2nd year, Brigands and Merchants teams will be chosen in a manner that allows households/ships to fight together. There will be new battles, as well as some of the old favorite fighting scenarios. Fighting, fencing, and archery will all be integral components for determining the weekend's victor. Bring your combat archery and other missiles. Fighting will start at 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

To commemorate this renegade event's last HUZZAH, a Brigands Bizarre book is being compiled. The [T minus 1] book will be available at the troll booth and everyone is invited to contribute stories for publication. Also, due to mass pressure, we are currently investigating a commemorative T-shirt which will be for sale (prices as yet determined).

Tons of prizes will be bestowed on our guests. Stay tuned to your local newsletter and subscribe to the Outlands List for more details on contests and battle scenarios.

Directions: Take I-25 to Exit 269-A (near the Barony of Unser Hafen). Go east on Highway 14 (past Ault) to mile marker 176 and turn left. Hang another left at the camel crossing.

Autocrats: Baron Sir Haroun and Baroness Dovita (Chuck and Debby Hacking), 114 N. 7th Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80905, (719) 444-0194, SirHaroun@aol.com

Cavalier Holiday V

May 31
Caerthe (Denver, CO)

Once again the cavalier attitude will be in full flower. Lawn games of croquet and boccie ball are planned. Cooled drinks, teas, lemonade, and water; and cakes and fruit will be served in abundance. I will be reserving the picnic shelter again this year so there should be no worries about a moment or two of inclement weather (we laugh at
tornado warning sirens). There will again be a search for the most cavalier garb, the best non-cavalier garb, most sumptuous picnic and most decadent picnic; and any other 'best' or 'most' whim that take the Autocrat's fancy.

Please note that we will be frolicking on the last Sunday in May instead of waiting for June. Don't worry, this is not the Memorial Day weekend.

Event times: 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Site Fee: $4.00 Adults; children, $3.00.

Site: Berkeley Park, in Denver, the corner of Tennyson & 46th, just east of Lakeside Amusement Park. Directions will appear in next month's Outlandish Herald.

Amenities: This is a damp site, beer must be in non-glass containers. Parking will be available in the park and on the street. No parking in the mortuary lot across the street.

Please contact the Autocrat for questions or ideas.

Autocrat: Lady Cecelia (C. Mary Conley), (303) 556-2270 (day), (303) 433-0132 (evening), mconley@castle.cudenver.edu

Cattle Raid III

June 19-21
Bofharrach

Once again in the green pastures of Bofharrach there will be a weekend of frolic and fun as we celebrate that most loved animal of our canton, the cow! We will be playing in the same location as past years, privately owned land east of Kersey. There will be fighting, fencing, archery, equestrian tourneys, and Hawks Hollow will be joining us for a Sunday filled with melees. We will also be choosing a champion of Bofharrach, to be selected by a test of strength, wits, speed, and athletic ability on the field of our version of the highland games. Some children's activities will be available. Site will open at 12:00pm on Friday, June 19th and closes at 5:00pm Sunday, June 21.

Site restrictions: no dogs, no open flames (there will be a well- supervised Bardic fire after the evening tourney Saturday night), and no alcohol. This is a dry site. There is no water on site so please plan to bring your own. Also remember that this site is located on river bottom land so the bugs can be bad. Please remember your insect repellent as well as sunscreen and shade.

Directions: The site is located 2 miles east of Kersey, CO. To get to the site, take your best route to I-25 and exit 257-A (Greeley exit) do not take the 257-B or you will end up in Loveland. Take US Highway 34 East past Greeley. Stay on Highway 34 until you come to the small town of Kersey (approximately 40 miles from I-25) Just past the High School look for Weld county road 56 and turn left (north). Follow this road to the end, turn left, and follow the signs. The official address of the site is the Kielian property, 28011 US Highway 34, Kersey, CO. (In case of flooding, we will again have Mr. Doughman's pasture for the alternate site.)

Fees: Site fee is $5 for adults and $2 for children under 12, if you come for just the day the site fee is $2. There will be no feast this year, however there will be a meal available Saturday afternoon. Also there will be a list of markets, restaurants, and hotels available at the troll booth. The Equestrian Tourney fee will be $8.00 per rider. you must be an authorized rider and a paid member of the SCA to ride. If you are bringing a horse, reservations must be made through the Autocrat in advance. Free pasture is available but you must bring your own method of confinement. If you wish to ride, but do not have your own horse, please contact the Autocrat to see if there will be horses available. The Equestrian Tourney will be held Saturday morning under the supervision of Lady Thorhalla, starting at **9:00 a.m. sharp** to avoid the heat, if you are not there on time we will start without you.

Court will be held at the whim of their Excellencies of Unser Hafen and/or any other visiting Royalty. We will also be holding a fundraiser to benefit the Kingdom Equestrian Guild. You can have your picture taken on a fully caparisoned horse for a small fee! Take it home and show it off to all your friends and family.

Make checks payable to: SCA-Bofharrach. Please note which fees you are paying. Reservations can be mailed to the Autocrats. **All children must be accompanied by an adult, we will not be responsible for unsupervised children.**

Autocrats: Moyra and Lorcan MacColla (Jeanne and Lauren MacColla), 2121 6th Ave., Greeley CO 80631, 970-352-9017, email: maccolla@info2000.net. Please direct all inquiries to the Autocrats.

Unser Hafen Practices

(See Bofharrach section of this newsletter for Bofharrach information.)

Fighter Practice

Summer fighter practice is Sunday 1-5pm in City Park. See the map.

Dance Practice

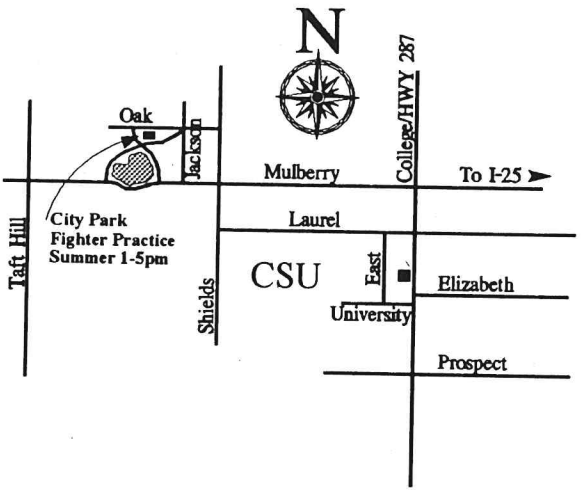
2nd and 4th Mondays, 7-9 PM at the Mountain Range Shadows Club House. See map.

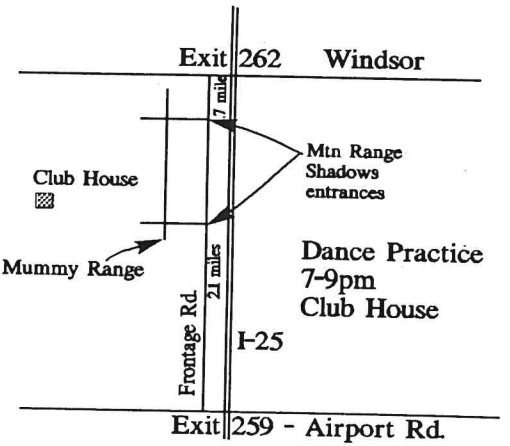
Archery Practice

Hiatus for the winter

Belly Dance

Wednesday evening, 7:30-8:30, Empire Grange Hall, on Mulberry west of Taft Hill. On the North side.





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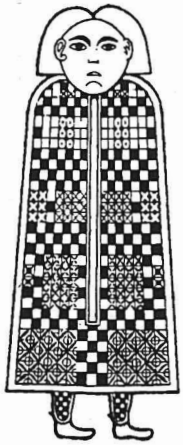

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